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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated April 4, 2005, claims 4, 11, 14, 18, and 21-36 are pending with claims 11, 18, and 21-36 1-16 and 19-24 being rejected and claims 4 and 14 being objected to. Claim 23 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 4, 11, 18, 21, 26, 35, and 36 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Reexamination and reconsideration of the claims as requested is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's acceptance of the drawings filed on January 21, 2005 is noted with appreciation.

An extension of time is hereby petitioned for and fee paid by the undersigned deposit account.

The specification has was objected to because of minor informalities. In response to the Examiner's recommendations, Applicants have amended the specification to overcome the objections.

This amendment above has been discussed with the examiner by phone on August 4, 2005 and agreement has been reach regarding the allowability of claims.

The amendments are all of the section 112/1 and 2 type and not intended to alter the scope of protection but to remove ambiguities. The objection on the basis of sec 112/1 in claims 21, 35, and 36 are intended to clarify the meaning of "urging" which has been replaced with terminology drawn directly from the specification.

Claims which have been rejected on prior art may be taken up in a separate divisional application.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and reasons provided above, it is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. The amendments clarify the patentable invention without adding new subject matter. Allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

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If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at (952) 253-4106.

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